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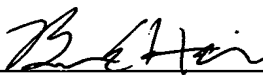
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- 1) Sands, U.S. Patent No. 2,623,725, issued December 30, 1952;
- 2) Mueller, U.S. Patent No. 3,675,487, issued July 11, 1972;

- 3) Jackson, U.S. Patent No. 3,741,241, issued June 26, 1973;
- 4) Dierksmeier et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,195,658, issued April 1, 1980;
- 5) Sabina, Jr., U.S. Patent No. 4,431,027, issued February 14, 1984;
- 6) Johnson et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,605,039, issued August 12, 1986;
- 7) Terry, U.S. Patent No. 4,880,030, issued November 14, 1989;
- 8) Horner, Jr., U.S. Patent No. 5,117,860, issued June 2, 1992;
- 9) Terry, U.S. Patent No. 5,215,113, issued June 1, 1993;
- 10) Kloosterman et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,291,916, issued March 8, 1994;
- 11) Able et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,474,105, issued December 12, 1995;
- 12) Rakieski, U.S. Patent No. 5,613,518, issued March 25, 1997;
- 13) Samuelson et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,443,180 B1, issued September 3, 2002;
- 14) Turner, U.S. Patent No. 6,470,508 B2, issued October 29, 2002;
- 15) Pressure Protection Valves, Copyright 2002 by PAI, 1 page;
- 16) Compressed Air Systems, Chapter 16, TM 5-692-2, 8 pages;
- 17) AME, Efficient Compressed Air Systems, SEDA, Energy Savings Manual, 2000, 4 pages; and
- 18) MIDLAND™ - "Pressure Relief Valves", Instructions for Series A-1000 through A-37000, DOVER Resources Company, Doc. No. INST A1000/A37000, Rev. 1.2 1/03, 16 pages.

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## **U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

Examiner Initials	Cite #	DOCUMENT NUMBER	C O D E	PATENTEE	ISSUE DATE (mm/dd/yy)	CLASS	SUB CLASS	Filing Date if Appropriate
	1)	2,623,725		Sands	12/30/1952	251	118	
	2)	3,675,487		Mueller	07/11/1972	73	414	
	3)	3,741,241		Jackson	06/26/1973	137	504	
	4)	4,195,658		Dierksmeier et al.	04/01/1980	137	462	
	5)	4,431,027		Sabina, Jr.	02/14/1984	137	574	
	6)	4,605,039		Johnson et al.	08/12/1986	137	460	
	7)	4,880,030		Terry	11/14/1989	137	460	
	8)	5,117,860		Horner, Jr.	06/02/1992	137	512.1	
	9)	5,215,113		Terry	06/01/1993	137	460	
	10)	5,291,916		Kloosterman et al.	03/08/1994	137	112	
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## **NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS**

Examiner Initials		Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published
	15)	<u>Pressure Protection Valves</u> , Copyright 2002 by PAI, 1 page
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